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Sincerely,



Jeffrey S. Blumberg
Director, Compliance Branch
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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March 19, 2013

Ms. (b)(6)
Depew Gillen Rathbun & McInteer, LC
8301 East 21st Street North Suite 450
Wichita, KS 67206-2936

Email: (b)(6)@depewgillen.com

Re: Complaint No. 11-12-ICE-0315, (b)(6)

Dear Ms. (b)(6)

The Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) received your client's complaint dated September 21, 2011, alleging that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers violated (b)(6) civil rights and civil liberties during an attempted enforcement operation at (b)(6) home. We regret the time it took to fully review these matters and sincerely apologize for our delayed response.

Under 6 U.S.C. § 345 and 42 U.S.C. § 2000ee-1, CRCL has the responsibility to review and assess complaints against DHS employees and officials concerning violations of civil rights and civil liberties. Following the submission of the complaint, the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) opened the complaint for investigation. The OIG concluded its investigation on October 22, 2012. Following this, CRCL reviewed the OIG investigation, interviewed (b)(6) and his attorney at the time, (b)(6) and reviewed the information that was provided by you and (b)(6).

Based upon our review, CRCL is closing this complaint and will take no further action on this matter. However, CRCL is currently investigating other complaints related to enforcement operations at homes and will continue to monitor such allegations and pursue policy recommendations if warranted.

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We thank you for (b)(6) complaint and understand the significance of this issue. Inquiries like his help DHS meet its obligation to protect civil rights and civil liberties. If you have additional information or allegations regarding inappropriate treatment by DHS officials, please do not hesitate to provide it.

Sincerely,

(b)(6)

Acting Deputy Director, Compliance Branch
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

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Homeland Security

To: (b)(6)
From: (b)(6)
Date: March 19, 2013
Complaint Number: 11-12-ICE-0315
Complainant Name(A#): (b)(6)

Finding(s) for Closure without Recommendations - (check all that apply):

(b)(5)

Reason for Closing:

On September 21, 2011, CRCL received email correspondence from (b)(6) who represented the complainant, (b)(6) at the time, alleging that ICE had violated Mr. (b)(6) civil rights and civil liberties when conducting an enforcement operation at one of his rental properties. (b)(6) is a U.S. Citizen and utilized the services of another attorney, (b)(6) during the investigation of this complaint.

On October 19, 2011, the OIG opened its own investigation into the allegations and concluded its investigation on October 22, 2012. The OIG provided CRCL with its Report of Investigation (ROI) on August 12, 2013. (b)(5) (b)(6)

(b)(5) CRCL reviewed the OIG investigation, interviewed (b)(6) and his then attorney, (b)(6) and reviewed the exhibits provided by (b)(6)

CRCL has received several other complaints related to ERO enforcement operations conducted at homes (b)(5) (b)(5)
(b)(5)

Special Circumstances

Recommend Office of General Counsel (OGC) Review (Y/N)

If Yes- provide a brief explanation

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Suggested Closure Method(s) (*check all that apply*):

(b)(5)

Supporting Documents Attached:

For Completion by Reviewer:

Closure Recommendation Accepted ☒

Not Accepted ☐

(b)(6)

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DHS Complaint History Listing

DHS Matters: Contact-DHS-11-1167. 11-12-ICE-0315 (b)(6)

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				On October 6, 2011, Jeffrey Blumberg, Director,		(b)(6)	

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12/16/2011

SPLC Urges DHS to End Raids Terrorizing Latino Communities in North Alabama

The Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) [urged the Department of Homeland Security](#) today to end raids by federal immigration agents that have terrorized north Alabama families and that undermine federal efforts to protect the civil rights of the state's Latino community in the wake of the state's harsh new anti-immigrant law.

The letter was sent to Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano after the SPLC learned of raids at apartment complexes and mobile home parks in Fort Payne and Collinsville in recent days. Armed Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents entered homes without permission and even interrogated young children about their parents' whereabouts.

The letter asks Napolitano to stop the raids and conduct an investigation into civil rights violations that may have taken place. It also notes that the raids undermined efforts by several federal agencies to protect the Latino community from civil rights violations resulting from the state's anti-immigrant law, HB 56. The letter highlights Napolitano's recent statement that the Department of Homeland Security will not assist the state in enforcing HB 56.

"Alabama's Latino community has already been devastated by HB 56, and many Latinos who have not left the state are living in terror," said SPLC Legal Director Mary Bauer. "These raids profoundly undermine the federal government's substantial efforts to reassure people that they still have civil rights and that the federal government is committed to protecting them. They are terrorizing a community already living in fear and chaos."

The SPLC learned that during the raids agents engaged in disturbing and illegal conduct, including threatening to arrest children who are U.S. citizens if they did not reveal their parents' whereabouts. Though it appears that the agents were looking for specific individuals, they arrested many others who happened to be in the vicinity.

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The raids came after several federal agencies, including the departments of Education and Labor, took steps to reassure the state's Latino community that the government will be vigilant in protecting their civil rights. The Department of Justice is challenging the law in federal court, as is the SPLC and a coalition of civil rights groups.

"These raids are a stark reminder that the failure of our nation to pass comprehensive immigration reform has devastating repercussions that rip apart communities and push immigrants deeper into the shadows," said Dan Werner, the SPLC's deputy legal director.

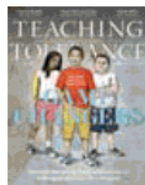
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December 16, 2011

The Honorable Janet Napolitano
United States Secretary of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Napolitano:

I write to express my profound concern about an enforcement action conducted by the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) last weekend in Alabama. Armed ICE agents went to trailer parks and apartment complexes in Fort Payne and Collinsville, entering homes without permission and terrorizing families. Children—citizens and non-citizens alike—were traumatized. In more than one case, ICE agents interrogated young children about the whereabouts of their parents.

Alabama’s Latino community has been devastated by Alabama’s extraordinarily harsh anti-immigrant law, known as HB56. In the aftermath of that law taking effect, the federal government has devoted significant resources to reassuring the Latino community that it is dedicated to protecting Alabamian’s civil rights. The Department of Justice has sued to block the law and has stated that it believes the law to be unconstitutional. Tom Perez, chief of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, has repeatedly visited Alabama and met with community leaders to hear their stories and has promised to actively oppose HB56. Similarly, high-level officials from other agencies, including the Departments of Education and Labor, have visited Alabama and have offered reassuring words about their commitment to protect the rights of individuals in this state. You have stated that the Department of Homeland Security will not help Alabama implement this law.

We believe that this series of ICE raids has profoundly undermined the efforts of other federal agencies to reassure the Latino community in Alabama that the federal government seeks to protect the civil rights of all persons. Home raids are a particularly destructive means of conducting enforcement actions; they terrorize communities and are particularly frightening to children, who are forced to watch family members arrested and detained. The family members who have been left behind are afraid to be in their own homes and to live in this community. They have been driven even further underground. The reports we’ve heard from the people who witnessed the raids suggest that agents engaged in disturbing and illegal conduct—including threatening to arrest U.S. citizen children if those children did not disclose the whereabouts of their parents. Although the agents appeared to be looking for a few specific individuals, they went far beyond what was necessary to locate those persons, and arrested many others who simply happened to

be in the vicinity. That ICE took this action just before Christmas in this already decimated community is heart wrenching.

We call upon you to cease these kinds of enforcement actions in this state. We also call upon you to conduct a thorough investigation of the civil rights violations that may have taken place in the course of these raids. We once again ask that you to visit Alabama and to meet with people who live here to hear their stories.

We would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these issues.

Sincerely,



Mary Bauer
Legal Director

From: (b)(6)
To:
Cc:
Subject: RE: CRCL Complaint Number 12-03-ICE-0037
Date: Tuesday, December 20, 2011 9:00:03 AM

Office of Inspector General

U.S. Department of Homeland Security



**Homeland
Security**

(b)(7)(A)

From: (b)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV]
Sent: Monday, December 19, 2011 3:16 PM
To: (b)(6)
Cc:
Subject: CRCL Complaint Number 12-03-ICE-0037

(b)(6)

Summary of new complaint for your review:

On December 19, 2011, CRCL internal staff received a news article titled, "SPLC Urges DHS to End Raids Terrorizing Latino Communities in North Alabama", dated December 16, 2011 on the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) website. The website's news article is accompanied by a letter from Legal Director Mary Bauer of SPLC addressed to DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano, dated December 16, 2011, alleging that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents last weekend in Alabama went to trailer parks and apartment complexes in Fort Payne and Collinsville, entering homes without permission, interrogating children about their parents' whereabouts.

SPLC expressed concern that enactment of HB56, ICE's series raids in Alabama has profoundly undermined federal agencies efforts to reassure the Latino community in Alabama that the federal government seeks to protect the civil rights of all persons.

Thank you

(b)(6)

Program Analyst
Compliance Branch
Office for Civil Rights & Civil Liberties
Department of Homeland Security

DHS/TSA Civil Rights

DHS Complaint History Listing

DHS Matters: Contact-DHS-12-0082 12-03-ICE-0037 Mary Bauer

Data Object	Date	Event	Field	New Value	Tracking Id	User	Reason
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July 18, 2012

(b)(6)

Sherman Oaks, CA 91401

Re: Complaint No. [12-04-ICE-0194]

Dear (b)(6)

The Department of Homeland Security's Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) received your complaint on January 27, 2012 regarding Mr. and Mrs. (b)(6) Ms. (b)(6) Ms. (b)(6) and Mr. (b)(6) forward to CRCL by DHS OIG. Thank you for contacting us with your concerns. CRCL reviews and assesses information concerning abuses of civil rights, civil liberties, and profiling on the basis of race, ethnicity, or religion, by employees and officials of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

The issues you raise are very important to us, and we would like to inform you how your complaint will be processed by CRCL. Initially, we will send your complaint to the DHS Office of the Inspector General for review. If the Inspector General declines to accept the complaint, it will be returned to CRCL for an appropriate response. Once CRCL opens a formal complaint, either we or the appropriate DHS component will conduct an investigation into your concerns. CRCL may contact you during the course of investigation of your complaint. We will ultimately notify you of the outcome.

Please be advised that our complaint process does not provide individuals with legal or procedural rights or remedies. Accordingly, CRCL is not able to obtain any legal remedies or damages on your behalf. Instead, we use complaints like yours to find and address problems in DHS policy and its implementation. If you believe your rights have been violated, you may wish to consult an attorney. There may be time limitations that govern how quickly you need to act to protect your interests.

If you have not already done so, please provide CRCL with your complete contact information, including a phone number, email, and mailing address if available. You may contact CRCL by email at crcl@hq.dhs.gov, by facsimile at 202-401-4708, or by mail at the following address:

Department of Homeland Security
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
Compliance Branch
245 Murray Lane, SW
Building 410, Mail Stop 0190
Washington, DC 20528

For additional information about CRCL's roles and responsibilities, please visit our website at <http://www.dhs.gov/crcl>.

If you are filing a complaint on behalf of an individual, please provide CRCL with the express written consent of the individual if you would like to be informed about the resolution of this complaint, if you have not already done so. When communicating with CRCL about this matter, please include the complaint number noted at the top of this letter.

Please note that Federal law forbids retaliation or reprisal by any Federal employee against a person who makes a complaint or discloses information to CRCL. 42 U.S.C. § 2000ee-1(e). If you believe that you or someone else is a victim of such a reprisal, please contact us immediately.

Thank you again for contacting the Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. Communications like yours are essential to our ability to carry out our role of supporting the Department's mission to secure the nation while preserving individual liberty, fairness, and equality under the law. We look forward to working with you to address your concerns. If you have questions, please contact CRCL either in writing or by phone at 866-644-8360, 866-644-8361 (TTY).

Sincerely,



Jeffrey S. Blumberg
Director, Compliance Branch
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Privacy Act Statement

Authority: 6 U.S.C. § 345 and 42 U.S.C. § 2000ee-1 authorizes the collection of this information.

Purpose: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will use this information to review and investigate complaints and information from the public about possible violations of civil rights and/or civil liberties relating to DHS employees, programs, or activities.

Routine Uses: This information may be disclosed to and used by personnel and contractors within DHS who have a need to know the information in order to review your complaint. The DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) may also share your information, as necessary, with appropriate government agencies outside of DHS or with non-government entities to address your complaint, or pursuant to its published Department of Homeland Security/ALL-029 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Records System of Records.

Disclosure: Furnishing this information to CRCL is voluntary; however, failure to furnish the requested information may delay or prevent CRCL from adequately reviewing and investigating your complaint. If necessary, CRCL may also request additional information from you in order to determine the appropriate manner to address your concerns.

To learn more about the Privacy Act, go to www.dhs.gov/privacy.

From: [CRCL_DHSOIGHotline](#)
To: (b)(6)
Cc:
Subject: RE: CRCL Complaint Number 12-04-ICE-0194
Date: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 3:03:01 PM

Office of Inspector General

U.S. Department of Homeland Security



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The below information has been reviewed and is returned for whatever administrative action or inquiry you consider appropriate. Should any administrative or personnel action result from your response to this information, you are requested to report the final result of that action within 30 business days of its conclusion.

If your review of this matter discloses evidence of previously unreported criminal misconduct that is reportable under Management Directive 0810.1, you are required to notify this office of that information before any additional investigative steps are taken.

From: (b)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV]
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2012 2:54 PM
To: CRCL_DHSOIGHotline
Cc: (b)(6)
Subject: CRCL Complaint Number 12-04-ICE-0194

DHS.OIG,

Summary of a new complaint for your review:

On January 27, 2012, CRCL received an informal email from DHS.OIG (HC 1205267) regarding a telephone conversation with (b)(6) the victims' lawyer. The victims are: (b)(6)

(b)(6) all residing at (b)(6)

Street Los Angeles, CA. 90003.

(b)(6) on behalf of the victims, that on August 24th, 2011 ICE officers entered his client's property. The victims' house is on a property that holds two houses. The lawyer believes the ICE officers had an arrest warrant for someone living in the other house. Upon entering the property the complainant claims the ICE officers shot and killed two of the victims' dogs. The officers then pointed their weapons at the victims and their families, including women and children. The ICE officers handcuffed the victims while they finished executing the search warrant. Eventually the victims were let go. The victims were not able to get any of the ICE officers' personal information.

Thank you.

(b)(6)

Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
Department of Homeland Security
202-357-(b)(6)
(b)(6)@hq.dhs.gov



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March 14, 2014

(b)(6)

Los Angeles, CA 90003

Re: Complaint No. 12-04-ICE-0194

Dear Mr. (b)(6)

This letter is a follow-up to the complaint the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) received from (b)(6) that was forwarded to our office from the DHS Office of Inspector General on January 24, 2012, regarding your treatment during the execution of a warrant by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents. The complaint alleges that two dogs were shot and killed during the execution of a criminal warrant aimed at a different address.

In a letter sent to you on July 18, 2012, CRCL informed you that, pursuant to 6 U.S.C. § 345 and 42 U.S.C. § 2000ee-1, we would review your complaint and notify you of the outcome of any investigation conducted. CRCL has received and reviewed relevant documents from ICE regarding this unfortunate occurrence. However, based upon the review, CRCL will take no further action. The information received from ICE indicates that during the execution of a criminal narcotics warrant in the house behind your home, ICE officers encountered two dogs who they were forced to kill to protect officer safety after diversionary tactics failed to work. Given the collocation of the two properties, and the concern for office safety during the execution of the warrant, CRCL is closing this matter.

We appreciate your bringing these matters to our attention. Inquiries like yours help DHS meet its obligation to protect civil rights and civil liberties. If you have additional information or allegations regarding inappropriate treatment by DHS officials, please do not hesitate to provide it.

Sincerely,

(b)(6)

Acting Director for Compliance
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
U.S. Department of Homeland Security



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March 14, 2014.

(b)(6)

Los Angeles, CA 90003

Re: Complaint No. 12-04-ICE-0194

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(b)(6)

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U.S. Department of Homeland Security



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Los Angeles, CA 90003

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March 14, 2014

(b)(6)

Los Angeles, CA 90003

Re: Complaint No. 12-04-ICE-0194

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Acting Director for Compliance
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
U.S. Department of Homeland Security



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March 14, 2014

(b)(6)

Sherman Oaks, California 91423

Re: Complaint No. 12-04-ICE-0194

Dear Mr. (b)(6)

This letter is a follow-up to the complaint the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) received from you on behalf of your clients, Mr. and Mrs. (b)(6) Ms. (b)(6) Ms. (b)(6) and Mr. (b)(6). The complaint was in regards to the treatment of your clients during the execution of a warrant by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents, and also alleged that two dogs were shot and killed during the execution of a criminal warrant aimed at a different address.

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Acting Director for Compliance
Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
U.S. Department of Homeland Security



Homeland Security

To:

(b)(6)

From:

Date:

March 14, 2014

Complaint Number:

12-04-ICE-0194

Complainant Name(A#):

(b)(6)

Finding(s) for Closure without Recommendations - (check all that apply):

(b)(5)

Reason for Closing:

On January 20, 2012, CRCL received a complaint from (b)(6) forwarded to our office from the DHS Inspector General. Mr. (b)(6) represents (b)(6) who allege that on August 24, 2011, ICE officers entered their property and home with an arrest warrant. Mr. (b)(6) alleges that ICE officers shot and killed two of the owners' dogs while executing the arrest warrant. Further, they allege that the property searched by ICE holds two separate houses with different addresses and that the ICE officers had an arrest warrant for someone living in the other house. According to the Mr. (b)(6) his clients live at (b)(6) Los Angeles, California, and his clients believe that the officers had an arrest warrant for an individual at (b)(6)

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Special Circumstances: N/A

Recommend Office of General Counsel (OGC) Review NO

If Yes- provide a brief explanation

Suggested Closure Method(s) (check all that apply):

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Supporting Documents Attached:

SIR Report # 2011SIR0016462	

For Completion by Reviewer:

Closure Recommendation Accepted x

Not Accepted ☐

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Attached are the signed authorization forms for this case. Please let us know if you require any further documents from us.

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